SUBJECT No. 63.

Reduction of fees for the attendance of Sub-Registrars in private houses for registration of documents.

Messrs. Nadig Bhaskar Rao, Nadig Lakshman Rao and Nadig Seetharamappa, Sorab Taluk.

Mr. Seetharamappa.—The present system of levying a fee of Rs. 10 for the attendance of Sub-Registrars in private houses for registration of documents is working hard on the poor people. This may be altogether abolished. If this is not possible, the fee may be reduced to Rs. 5.

Second Member of Council.—The object of levying high fees is to discourage registration at private residences.

SUBJECT No. 64.

Thumb impressions to documents, etc.

Mr. G. Venkataramana Gowda, Kankanhalli Taluk.

Mr. G. Venkataramana Gowda.—Orders may be passed to the effect that thumb impression should be put to documents, etc., instead of plough and *katari* mark as is now being done.

Third Member of Council.—This is being done now. The practice of putting plough and *katari* marks is very rare.

Second Member of Council.—Gradually the old practice will disappear.

Dewan.—Unnecessary.

PROTECTION—(LEGISLATION.)
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SUBJECT No. 65.

Prevention of slaughtering of cattle.

Messrs. (1) D. Nanjegowda and Halasulige Thimmappaiya, Manjarabad Taluk; (2) D. S. Mallappa and G. K. Gurappa, Tiptur Taluk and (3) Madappa, Satvaji Rao, Settappa Siddappa and Dharmaprakasa D. Banumiah, Mysore City Municipality and (4) Kalappa Chitaldrug Municipality.

Mr. Nanjegowda.—The slaughter of cattle is against the principle of Hinduism and is being prohibited by regulations enacted for the purpose in the States of Kathiawar, Jaipur, Kashmir and Baroda. A Regulation may be passed prohibiting the slaughter of cattle in Mysore also.

Third Member of Council.—This question was discussed last year and it was decided that Hindus and Mohammedans should come to some settlement among themselves in this matter.

Mr. Nanjegowda.—We have come to a settlement among ourselves and we are of opinion that cattle should not be slaughtered.

Mr. Abbas Khan.—Mohammedans will have no objection to the passing of a Regulation as proposed.

Third Member of Council.—Let some steps be taken to protect old cattle. In Channapatna, the condition of cows in the *Gorakshnasala* is not satisfactory. Instead of keeping cattle in such a bad condition, it is better to slaughter them. Are there any statistics available on the question? How can we prevent outside people buying here and selling them outside for being slaughtered.

Dewan.—As in Lahore, etc., why not the Municipal Councils take some special steps in the matter?